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SUBJ: OAU 23RD COUNCIL OF MINISTERS (CM) OPENS

1. OAU 23RD CM OPENED EVENING JUNE 6 IN PEOPLE'S HALL, WITH ALL 42 MEMBER STATES REPRESENTED, 26 REPORTEDLY BY FOREIGN MINISTERS. SOMALI PRESIDENT SIAD BARRE, WARMLY RECEIVED BY DELEGATES, GAVE WELCOMING ADDRESS. ONLY NOTABLE FEATURE WAS SUGGESTION FOR REVIEW OF OAU CHARTER (EXCERPTS BY USINFO). AS IS CUSTOMARY, HOST SOMALI FONMIN OMAR ARTEH WAS ELECTED CHAIRMAN. OTHER NEW OFFICERS INCLUDE GUINEA-BISSAU, LIBERIA AND ZAMBIA AS VICE-CHAIRMEN, AND ZAIRE AS RAPPORTEUR. AFTER USUAL ROUND OF SPEECHES CONGRATULATING OUTCOMING AND INCOMING OFFICERS AND HOSTS, MEETING ADJOURNED TO RECEPTION GIVEN BY NEW CHAIRMAN.

2. CEREMONIAL OPENING DELAYED FOR THREE HOURS WHILE DELEGATION HEADS CHOSE NEW OFFICERS. NORMALLY THESE CHOICES THRASHED OUT IN ADVANCE BY OAU AMBASSADORS IN ADDIS. THIS TIME, HOWEVER,

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ALGERIA UPSET PRE-ARRANGED LIST BY INSISTING ON GUINEA-BISSAU.

WE UNDERSTAND GABON FINALLY DROPPED FROM ORIGINAL LIST.

3. SUBSTANTIVE WORK BEGAN MORNING OF JUNE 7 WITH ADOPTION OF
AGENDA AND ORGANIZATION OF DELEGATES INTO COMMITTEES.
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